

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A bone cutter for cutting a bone by pulling a wire wrapped around the bone, comprising;

a cylindrical main section having a first longitudinal end and a second longitudinal end,

a first supporting wire having a first end portion and a second end portion, said first end  
~~an end~~ portion of said first supporting wire being ~~which is~~ connected to ~~[[a]]~~ said first  
longitudinal end of ~~[[the]]~~ said cylindrical main section,

a second supporting wire having a first end portion and a second end portion, said first  
~~end an end~~ portion of said second supporting wire being ~~which is~~ connected to ~~the other~~ said  
second longitudinal end of ~~[[the]]~~ said cylindrical main section,

a fastener, said second end portion of said first supporting wire and said second end  
portion of said second supporting wire being fastened to said fastener, to which the other ends of  
~~both the first and the second supporting wires are fastened,~~

a cutting wire having a first end portion and a second end portion, said first end portion of  
said cutting wire being ~~one end of which is~~ fastened to ~~[[the]]~~ said fastener, said cutting wire  
forming ~~and which forms~~ a circularly curved portion,

a pulling section which pulls ~~a free end of the~~ said second end portion of said cutting wire  
to reduce a diameter of the circularly curved portion, and

an adjusting section which adjusts a pulling force applied to ~~[[the]]~~ said second end  
portion of ~~[[the]]~~ said second supporting wire.

2. (Currently Amended): The bone cutter according to claim 1, wherein the pulling section is configured such that ~~the free~~ said second end portion of ~~[[the]]~~ said cutting wire is pulled by a screw jack including a first threaded rod and a first nut installed in ~~[[the]]~~ said cylindrical main section.

3. (Currently Amended): The bone cutter according to claim 2, wherein the pulling section includes a cylindrical part having an upper end portion and a lower end portion, said second end portion of said cutting wire being fixed at [[an]] said upper end portion of said cylindrical part of ~~which the free end of the cutting wire is fixed and an upper portion of said first nut being in contact with said [[a]] lower end portion of said cylindrical part which is disposed to be in contact with an upper portion of the first nut.~~

4. (Currently Amended): The bone cutter according to claim 3,

wherein ~~[[the]]~~ said cylindrical part has a slit extending in an axial direction thereof, and

wherein a rotation preventing part fixed to a first threaded rod through said slit is ~~provided on said cylindrical part, through the slit, to the first threaded rod is provided.~~

5. (Currently Amended): The bone cutter according to one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the pulling section further includes: ~~is provided with~~

a fixing section which fixes the circularly curved portion of the cutting wire at a position

where the circularly curved portion comes in contact with a bone, the fixing section including a fixture to which ~~the free~~ said second end portion of ~~[[the]]~~ said cutting wire is fixed,  
a third threaded rod which supports ~~[[the]]~~ said fixture, and  
a third nut which fixes a position of ~~[[the]]~~ said third threaded rod.

6. (Currently Amended): The bone cutter according to one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the adjusting section that adjusts the pulling force applied to ~~[[the]]~~ said first end portion of ~~[[the]]~~ said second supporting wire includes a second threaded rod and a second nut installed in ~~[[the]]~~ said cylindrical main section.